

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In Re:

Chapter 7

Manuel N. Ortiz and Isidra L. Ortiz,

Case No. 808-73238-735

Debtor.

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Application in Support of Order Authorizing Retention of  
Weinberg, Gross & Pergament LLP as Attorneys for Trustee

TO: The Honorable Alan S. Trust,  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

The Application of Marc A. Pergament, Trustee of the Debtor herein, respectfully  
represents as follows:

1. On or about June 20, 2008, the Debtor filed a petition under Chapter 7 of the  
Bankruptcy Code. Marc A. Pergament was appointed Interim Trustee, duly qualified and has acted  
in said capacity.

2. Pursuant to Section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code and Local Rule 18, the  
Trustee has selected and, subject to this Court's approval, authorized the employment of the firm of  
Weinberg, Gross & Pergament LLP ("Weinberg, Gross") as his counsel to represent him and assist  
him in connection with this Chapter 7 case.

3. The Trustee has selected said attorneys because they have had experience in  
Chapter 7 cases, and the Trustee believes that said firm of attorneys is well qualified to represent  
him in this case.

4. The professional services which said attorneys are to render are the general  
representation of the Trustee in this case under Title 11, United States Code, and the performance of  
such legal services for him which may be necessary herein, including pursuing the claim against  
Carroll Gardens Associates.

5. The Trustee will require the services of at least one attorney to perform such legal services which may be necessary herein.

6. To the best of the Trustee's knowledge, information and belief, Weinberg, Gross has no connection with the Debtor, their creditors or any other party in interest or their respective attorneys or accountants.

7. To the best of the Trustee's knowledge, information and belief, Weinberg, Gross does not hold or represent any interest adverse to the Debtor or their Estate and is a disinterested person under Section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code.

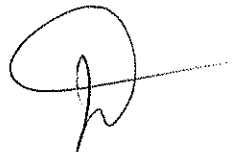
8. The Trustee desires to retain Weinberg, Gross under a general retainer because of the extensive legal services that will be required.

9. The employment of said attorneys would be in the best interest of this Estate.

10. No previous application for the relief requested herein has been made in this or any other court.

WHEREFORE, the Trustee respectfully requests that it be authorized to employ and retain the firm of Weinberg, Gross & Pergament LLP, under a general retainer, to represent him in this case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, and that he have such other and further relief as this Court may deem just.

Dated: Garden City, New York  
August 5, 2008



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Marc A. Pergament, Trustee